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# RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS <u>UNDER 35 USC 371</u>

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 USC 371 mailed 09/07/2006, enclosed is the executed oath for filing in the above-identified case. Also, attached is a copy of the 371 Formalities Letter.

Please charge the surcharge of \$130.00 for late filing of this oath to our deposit account No. 19-2814.

If there are any questions with regard to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned attorney.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on September 13, 2006

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Date of Signature: September 13, 2006

Very truly yours,

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# NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/22/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 03/22/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/22/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 03/22/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/22/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 03/22/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 03/22/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/22/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 03/22/2006
- Specification filed on 03/22/2006
- Claims filed on 03/22/2006
- Abstracts filed on 03/22/2006
- Drawings filed on 03/22/2006



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**RESPONSE DUE** 

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath

or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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